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## Is Your Property Up For Unpaid Taxes?

Lansing, April 11—"Revisions of the State tax laws effected by the last Legislature has proven, after the first year's operation, to have been a sound advancement which provided the State a net saving of \$92,000 this year and which would have saved \$160,000 had they been adopted two years sooner," Auditor General Vernon J. Brown said today.

The Auditor General estimated that the work of county treasurers this year accounted for a saving of \$172,000 in the compiling and providing up-to-date tax lists which were impossible under the old system where the Auditor General's office attempted to keep records for 83 counties.

This cost reduction was offset by new duties assigned to Brown's department which call for additional expenditures of about \$80,000.

"The sale this year has been more complete and more accurate than any in the history of the State," the Auditor General said. "For this record we cannot give too much credit to the county treasurers for their cooperation and the work of their staff members."

Their efforts have resulted in great savings to the people of the State at large and the accurate records they provided from which tax sale notices were published, eliminated many annoyances of previous years to property erroneously listed for tax sale.

Under the former law county treasurers were required to keep records of tax collections, some of them made to township and municipal treasurers. They were also required to inform the Auditor General of all payments made to them for the purpose of posting a Master Tax Record maintained by the State Auditor for all the 83 counties.

Brown pointed out that, under the old system, delays in the transmission of these records accounted for the fact that the State in 1939 advertised for sale 392,525 parcels of property on which belated tax payments had been made prior to payment deadlines. For the printing alone of these descriptions the State lost \$78,000.

Under the new system the county treasurers provide currently posted lists to the printers and are able to make corrections up until the final day of printing.

"The additional work occasioned by the new legislation is partially temporary," Brown said, "and it occurs because the State is adjusting its tax delinquency after years of tax moratoria. The added costs arise from the alteration of records transferring titles to new owners as the result of the 1938 sale and the refund tax sale money to purchasers of property which has been subsequently redeemed by the original owners."

"This is, to a large degree, a temporary situation and it will drop off as soon as the 1932 to 1938 accumulation is cleaned up," he said. "I think I can explain it by pointing out that in 1938, in the first sale after years of tax moratoria, there were 1,308,509 parcels of property advertised for tax sale; a year later this figure dropped to 811,509 and for 1940 we estimate the number to be about 322,000."

"This means that people who want to hold their property are again beginning to pay their taxes and when the first rush is over our work will drop off."

But the public is cautioned according to the Auditor General, Mrs. Trudeau's assistant leaders.

against the possibility of errors that still are certain to creep into tax records. The Auditor General warns all property owners to scan sale lists in counties where they own property.

## Grayling Kiwanians Visit West Branch

The fifth anniversary of the West Branch Kiwanis Club was observed last Monday evening at the Parish House, West Branch, when the Kiwanis Club of Grayling and their ladies and guests were delightfully entertained at an enjoyable banquet and dance. The Grayling Club sponsored the West Branch Kiwanis club at their organization in February, 1935, and this was a special occasion to revive the memories of the first meeting between the two groups five years ago.

A well planned program followed the group singing and the delicious dinner served to about 125 persons by the Trinity Guild.

After a welcome address by President Edward Blitzenke of the West Branch club, Melvin Orr, Lieutenant Governor of the 4th Division of Kiwanis was introduced, who in a pleasing manner acted as toastmaster. There followed remarks by Arthur E. Pierpont, Past District Governor, who presented an interesting talk on the values of Kiwanis.

A surprise for the evening followed when President Blitzenke of the West Branch club presented a beautiful speaker's stand to the Grayling organization. Appropriate remarks of acceptance of the stand were given by Farnham Matson, President of the Grayling Kiwanis club.

The highlight of the evening was reached when Merle S. Ward, President of Ferris Institute, delivered an inspiring message, "Kiwanis Ideals" which had its amusing and solemn aspects. Mr. Ward, an educator and traveller of note, left a deep impression on his audience.

Dancing concluded an enjoyable evening. Grayling Kiwanians and guests returned home high in their praise of their host and this fine inter-club Kiwanis affair.

### Norman Butler Speaker at Wednesday's Meeting.

Norman Butler was in charge of the Kiwanis meeting Wednesday noon. In the absence of President Farnham Matson, Vice President C. R. Keyport presided.

Judge Shaffer of Gladwin, Sam Atkins of West Branch, Judge Calkins and Melvin Freel of Gaylord were visitors.

In his address Mr. Butler told of some of the customs he encountered as an undertaker and experiences he had as an undertaker in other communities, and incidents he knew of in that profession. It was an unusual address and very interesting.

A communication from the Kalkaska Chamber of Commerce invited the Club to be their guests next Wednesday evening. A committee was appointed to make arrangements for the trip. It was a very fine gesture and appreciated by the members of Grayling club.

### Girl Scouts

The Girl Scouts met in the M. E. church with twenty-three members present. Girls started to plan on a hardtime party for April 19. The girls also sang and played games after the meeting.

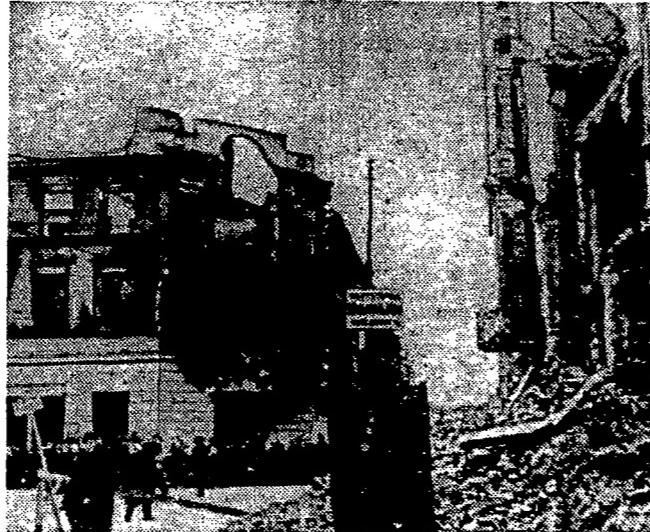
Each patrol leader was given a flashlight by Mrs. Harwood.

Rules about bicycle riding were discussed at the meeting.

Mrs. Richard Lovell is one of

the officers of the local Girl Scout Troop.

## In the Once Proud Capital of Poland



A street scene in the Warsaw of today. This is the corner of Senacka and Miodowa streets. German shells and bombs during the siege made rubble of beautiful buildings. This picture was made secretly at great risk and smuggled out of Germany.

## Decree Granted In Tax Sale Petition

### CIRCUIT COURT HAD EASY SESSION

When Circuit court convened in the courthouse Tuesday afternoon, Judge John C. Shaffer lost little time in disposing of the cases on the calendar. Many were continued to the next term or dismissed.

Only one criminal case was on the calendar for this term, that of the People vs. J. A. Light for passing bad checks, and that was continued until next term of court.

The three non-jury civil cases involving the Frederic School District, which have been on the docket for some time, were continued, as were the Assignment cases of Marius Hanson and that of Schweitzer & Co.

In the matter of the petition of Vernon J. Brown, Auditor General petition for tax sale, no objections were filed and a decree was granted.

The divorce cases of Isabelle Roseberry vs. Joseph Roseberry, and Marion Campbell vs. Herschel S. Campbell were dismissed. The divorce cases of Dick D. Lewis vs. Mable Lewis, Beulah Douglas vs. Thomas E. Douglas, Henry Davis vs. Vesta Davis, and Wylo Kirkby vs. Vira Kirkby were continued until the July term of court. A decree was granted in the divorce case of Paul E. Hendrickson vs. Beatrice A. Hendrickson.

The two young men, Scott Westbrook, and Dale Bittler of Mt. Pleasant, who were arrested about a year ago for breaking and entering some cottages on the river, had broken their probation. Forthwith they were brought before Judge Shaffer, who reprimanded them during their court.

### Movable Camps

Movable camps to house itinerant farm laborers are being introduced in California by the federal government.

## Two Royal Beauties



Pictured above is pretty brown eyed blonde Ida Marie Lorenz, 18 year old senior high school student of Traverse City, who will reign over Kalkaska National Trout Festival during 1940. She will assume her royal duties from pretty Robinette Cornell, Kalkaska National Trout Queen for 1939, amidst royal splendor Friday afternoon April 26. Miss

## We have an Active

## Chamber of Commerce

Can you think of any good excuse why you shouldn't be in there helping



## Scout Leaders To Visit French Lick Springs

Lone Scout officials of Grayling have been invited to attend the sixteenth annual conference of Great Lakes Region No. 7 Girl Scouts, at French Lick Springs, Ind., April 15-17. More than 600 leaders from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin are expected, according to Miss Sally Stickney, Chicago, regional director.

The Grayling Lone Scout leaders invited include Mrs. Herbert Trudeau and Mrs. E. Borchers.

Live exhibits in arts, crafts and nature projects, folk dancing, group singing, a reception for Mrs. Harvey Mudd, national president and Mrs. Paul Rittenhouse, national director, a barbecue luncheon in French Lick Springs resort park, the regional banquet and roundtable conferences feature the program.

Sessions will be held at French Lick Springs hotel and delegates will have the spa's extensive facilities for indoor and outdoor recreational and social activities at their disposal.

## Two Royal Beauties

## Large Crowd At C. of C. Meeting

Meeting of the Chamber of Commerce members held at the Crawford County courthouse April 5, 1940, at 7:45 p. m.

President Stealey presided and called the meeting to order. Roll call found the following officers and directors present: Pres. Stealey, A. J. Nelson, G. Stanley, G. Penrod, H. MacNeven, Secy-Treas., Russell. Directors absent: G. Poor, E. Borchers, A. Hunter. Members present: O. P. Schumann, Rev. Kuhlman, M. Laage, R. Trudeon, F. J. Mills, Dr. Keyport, N. Bui, F. Matson, C. J. McNamara, A. Burrows, A. J. Greene, A. Trudeau, H. Petersen, C. Burns. Mr. Harry Carter of the Tax Survey commission also was present.

Communication from the (Continued on last page)

## Junior Class Play Tuesday, April 16

On Tuesday, April 16th, the Junior Class plans to present their play "Mamma's Baby Boy."

The play is a comedy and the cast has been practicing diligently to attain the right effect.

Everyone should find this an enjoyable way to spend the evening.

Time: 8:00 P. M. Place: High school auditorium. Admission: 10c and 25c.

Get your reserved seats at the Rexall Drug store.

## School Giving Carnival April 27

The Athletic Association of Grayling High school voted by unanimous consent to put on a carnival for the purpose of raising some much-needed money. The date which has been set is Saturday, April 27th.

There is to be a very nice program and we are very happy to be able to invite all of Grayling to attend, so if you like good times you can't afford to miss a chance like this. Don't forget, Saturday, April 27th.

More articles will follow giving in detail just what we are to have.

### BRIDGE CLUB DINNER

Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Keyport, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. George Olson, entertained their Bridge club Wednesday evening at the home of the Keyports.

Sweet peas graced the center of the table from which the buffet dinner was served, while a large bouquet of bright colored phlox gave a spring-like atmosphere to the living room where small tables had been placed for the guests.

Five tables of bridge were in play throughout the evening. Mrs. C. G. Clippert and A. J. Joseph holding the high scores.

Miss Margrethe Bauman is the newly-elected president of the club for next season.

### Silver Tea

The Missionary Society of Michelson Memorial church gave a program and tea in the parlors of the church Wednesday afternoon.

Tea was served from a long table, centered with yellow daffodils and guarded by yellow candles in crystal candlesticks, at which Mrs. H. W. Kuhlman and Mrs. Celia Granger poured.

The following musical program was given:

Song—"The Rosary", girls sextette, accompanied by Miss Martha Johnson.

Piano solo—"The Elf Fairies", Joyce Howe.

Violin—"Sleepy Hollow Tune", Beatrice Peterson accompanied by Virginia Peterson.

Vocal solo—"Vacation", Terry Hilton.

Piano solo—"The Elf Fairies", Wanda Ruth Doroh.

Saxophone duet—"Voice of Spring" and "Mighty Like A Rose", Alfred Hanson and Fay Christensen.

Vocal solo—"An Open Secret", Natalie Peterson.

Song—"Out of the Dark To You," girls sextette.

## Womans Club

Mrs. Frank Bond was hostess to the club Tuesday evening. Mrs. Stanley Stealey being absent, the business session was in charge of the Vice-Pres., Mrs. Willard Cornell.

Mrs. Ernest Hoesli gave a very interesting talk on Costa Rica and Nicaragua.

Pan American Highways was given by Mrs. Roy Milnes.

South American Products was the subject of Mrs. Bond's talk.

Next week being Pan American Week programs will be heard over the NBC Blue Network stations Monday, April 15th, at 2:00 to 3:00 p. m.

A pot luck dinner for the club and their guests will be given at Michelson Memorial church next Monday evening.

Lou Kramer Photo

## High School Starts Base Ball Season

The Grayling High school baseball team which had planned to work out at the ball park last week were unable to do so as the result of the cold weather. However they expect to be out there next week and really get some batting practice and other things which are essential to a championship team.

For the benefit of the fans a complete schedule of all of Grayling's games are listed below. Let's keep the dates in mind and turn out for all of the games.

April 26—Gaylord, here.

May 3—Mancelona, there.

May 4—Alpena, there.

May 8—Kalkaska, here.

May 17—Gaylord, there.

May 21—Kalkaska, there.

May 31—Roscommon, here.

June 1—Alpena, here.

Also we are planning to play two games with Frederic. The dates are to be set later.

### REV. SODERBURG OF WEST BRANCH HERE SUNDAY

The Rev. Mr. Einar Hilmer Soderburg of West Branch will be guest speaker here Sunday at Michelson Memorial church. The pastors of the Grayling and West Branch Methodist churches have arranged for an exchange next Sunday.

Mr. Soderburg is a leader in Boy Scout work and is secretary of West Branch Kiwanis club. He is a true Scandinavian as his name indicates. He is a student of youth movements and organizations, is well trained and which will bring us a message which all should hear. Rev. Kuhlman urges our young people to make a real effort to hear him.

### Notice

There will be a meeting held at the Feldhauser School on Monday, April 15th, at 8 o'clock p. m. for the qualified voters in Grayling Township to discuss proposed electric power line downriver with directors of the Presque Isle Electric Cooperative Co. Arthur J. Wakeley.

## Notice To Dog Owners

The authorities have received numerous complaints concerning dogs running at large.

All dogs caught running at large will be picked up and disposed of.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1940

**EDITORIAL COMMENT**

Democratic party affairs must be in an incredible condition. Mr. Roosevelt has alienated such stalwarts as Mr. Garner and Mr. Farley. The latter, his Warwick, the man who conducted him to the presidency and who is the arbiter of the party in his capacity as chairman of its National committee, seems to be on the warpath unless it is all part of a scheme. But all over the land delegates to the party conventions are being assembled behind the screen of third termism, and if Mr. Roosevelt so much as nods his head, he can have a renomination. The new deal features of the party are so entrenched that the regular Democrats just have to go along or else lose patronage, power, influence, and everything else a politician holds dear. They have to subordinate their own conscience and sense of right and wrong, in many instances. How long these stalwarts will submit simply to remain on the winning side, is a question only they can answer. We know that if the Republicans nominate, and the people elect, a man like Vandenberg, who has for several years proclaimed the necessity of a strong combination of men and women of all parties in opposition to new dealism, these old-line Democrats would unquestionably secure recognition from him in more important ways than they get now. Vandenberg recognizes the need for a grouping of all voters who think alike, in a great deal the manner that Lincoln became the candidate of the Union party for his second term and not of the Republican party.—Presque Isle County Advance.

**MUST HAVE  
"PERMIT TO BURN"**

The season has again arrived when "Permits to Burn" must be issued in order to burn legally. These permits are issued without cost by the Conservation Department and are a means of safeguarding this community from forest fire. Each individual's cooperation is appreciated.

The President is the only man who can be elected on the Democratic ticket.—Harold Ickes.

**Former Resident's  
Funeral Today**

Funeral services were being held this afternoon at Michelson Memorial church for Mrs. Saloma Ann Simpson, widow of the late Milton Simpson. The aged lady passed away at Ann Arbor Tuesday following a lingering illness extending over a year and a half, of cancer.

Saloma Sawyer was born August 24, 1853 at Hamburg, Mich., and on Nov. 17, 1877 she was united in marriage to Milton Simpson. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson, their daughter Laura, and son Harry, came to Grayling from Hamburg in 1900 and they became one of Grayling's substantial families. Mr. Simpson operated a grocery business for a long number of years and after his death he was succeeded in the business by his son Harry. Finally the latter launched into other business and the family, who had owned and resided on the property where the George Burrows family live, disposed of their interests and Mrs. Simpson went to make her home with her children.

Mrs. Simpson was a member of the M. E. church, and belonged to the local Eastern Star and Rebekah lodges.

The remains arrived in Grayling Wednesday afternoon from Ann Arbor and were at the Alfred Sorenson Funeral home until the funeral this afternoon. Rev. Kuhlman will officiate at the services and the pall bearers will be George Schable, Paul Ziebell, Chris Jenson, Frank Bridges, Holger F. Peterson and Clayton Straehly.

Mrs. W. D. McIntyre (Laura) of Mackinac Island, a daughter, survives. The son Harry, passed away shortly last fall in Monroe. Mrs. McIntyre and husband, together with Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Herford and Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCrum, of Flint, are here for the funeral.

**BIRTHS**

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Selesky (Virginia Hartley) are rejoicing over the arrival of a son born at Mercy hospital Thursday. The lad weighed 8½ pounds and his name is John L. Jr. Johnny's dad has already decided that he will be a boxer and plans to enter him in the Golden Gloves.

Marilyn May is the name of the little daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dawson Thursday, at Mercy hospital. Bobby is proud of his new sister as are his parents and grandparents.

A daughter, Virginia Katherine, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Otis Cook, Tuesday, April 2.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Vaughan, of Kalkaska, Thursday, April 4 at Mercy hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wisniewski of Elmira are the proud parents of a daughter born to them at Mercy hospital Tuesday, April 9th.

**Canada's Gold**

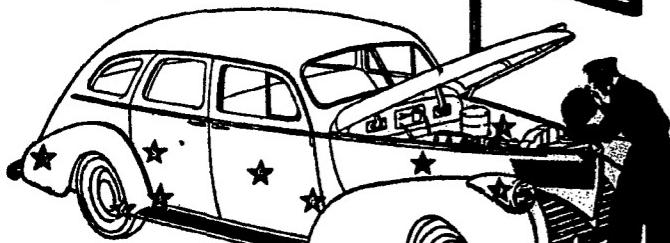
The value of Canada's gold production in 1938 was equal to 51 per cent of the total value of all metals and 37 per cent of the total value of the entire output of the Canadian mineral industry.

The President is the only man who can be elected on the Democratic ticket.—Harold Ickes.

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**STANDARD OIL DEALERS**

**Propose Special Train  
In Honor Of Tebbetts**

At the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Friday night, Spike MacNeven proposed that the Chamber of Commerce sponsor a "Birdie Tebbetts Special Baseball Train" some time during next June. Tebbetts has done much for Grayling," he said, "and this is a way in which we can show our appreciation."

The plan is for the train to start from Gaylord or Cheboygan and take on passengers from those places, Frederic, Grayling, Roscommon, West Branch and other stations where the people may be interested. It will be scheduled on a week day when there won't be a huge crowd at the ball park. The fare for the round trip will be nominal and include a ticket to the ball park. And it is planned to take Grayling school band and afford them to play in Briggs stadium.

According to remarks heard about town, this promises to be a grand event. As suggested, this is certain to be a fine compliment to Birdie Tebbetts and we're sure it will get a great thrill out of it himself.

**Low Costs Promised  
For World's Fair**

Visitors to the World's Fair of 1940 in New York this year will find that room accommodations in New York will range from as low as a dollar a day and that one person can spend two days at the Fair and one night in New York for less than five dollars. Such was the announcement made this week by Nathaniel A. Owings, director of the Midwestern Participation office of the Fair, who has just received a report on hotel and room prices from the World's Fair Rooming Bureau.

The low room and hotel accommodations fit favorably into the budget picture of visitors from the Middlewest and Far West who will be coming to the Fair this year. Sharply reduced fares and excursion rates will be available from all points via the Blue Goose Lines.

The report on hotel and room accommodations shows there will be ample facilities for 600,000 visitors to New York City and the World's Fair of 1940 at prices that would be better than those found at any county fair. Owings said. Hotels of the city can care for about 80,000 persons at between \$1.50 and \$3.00 per day and about 170,000 additional visitors at between \$3.00 and \$5.00 per day. Moreover, there are registered and inspected private homes and rooming houses which will accommodate 200,000 persons at \$1.00 and \$1.50 per day per person.

Typical budgets for visitors were submitted to the bureau showing that one person can spend two days at the Fair and one night in New York for as little as \$4.70. The budget, broken down into items, shows the following:

Room near the Fair, \$1.00; two continental breakfasts, fifty cents; two foodstand lunches at the Fair, sixty cents; two dinners at Fair restaurants, \$1.50; two Fair admissions, \$1.00; carfare between rooms and station, ten cents. For two persons, the budget is \$9.40. For two adults and one child, the total is \$13.35.

Such accommodations are available to any visitor to the Fair. Blue Goose Lines, however, will often provide even more attractive rates when travelers take advantage of their special excursions and round trip tours.

The World's Fair Rooming Bureau report shows that already there are more than 76,000 rooms in 293 hotels registered with the bureau and that more than 15,000 rooms in private homes and rooming houses are already on the list. Mayor LaGuardia of New York City and Harvey D. Gibson, chairman of the Fair's board, said they are determined that "suitable accommodations at reasonable prices be available to every person who comes to New York for the Fair."

The accommodations will be available throughout the Fair season which opens on May 11.

**In Memorium**

In loving memory of our dear husband and father who passed away two years ago April 11. No one knows the silent heartaches.

Only those that lost can tell, And the grief that's borne in silence.

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**Personals**

Miss Olga Nielsen spent the week end visiting friends in Detroit.

See the new McGregor sweaters and jackets at Olsons.

Emil Kraus, studying at U. of M., Ann Arbor, is home for the spring vacation.

Wm. LaGrow and Bill Sorenson spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Detroit on business.

Mrs. Marie Metz and two children of Cheboygan visited at the Ted Morris home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nemcek of East Jordan visited the A. J. Nelson family here Sunday.

Mr. Harold Cliff spent Monday and Tuesday in Detroit attending a summer style show.

Bob Hanson was home from Detroit over the weekend visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hanson.

Wilhelm Raas returned home the first of the week after his customary winter stay at his farm in Texas.

Harry Reynolds returned to her home in Midland Thursday after a several weeks stay in Grayling.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lydell returned home Saturday from a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Story in Elmira.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hewitt and children of Cadillac visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Thomas Cassidy, the first of the week.

Edwin Chalker of W. S. N. C., Kalamazoo, is home for the spring vacation visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Chalker.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lamm and son Tommy, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Parsons, spent Wednesday in Bay City on business.

Rev. Leo B. C. Broe of Manistee spent several days the forepart of the week visiting at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Stockholm.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Robertson entertained Miss Gertrude Page of Kalkaska over the week end. Miss Page is a Couzens Fund nurse in that district.

Mrs. Wayne Nellist and son of Holly, are visiting at the Merle Nellist home this week. Mr. Nellist spent the week end here returning Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Niederer had as their guest over the week end Alice Austin-Waggoner of West Branch, a former teacher in Grayling schools.

Mrs. Hugh Campbell and daughter Kay Ann, of Gaylord, are spending several days visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Chalker.

Mrs. Stanley Stealy, daughter Jane Ann, and her mother, Mrs. Rogers, and Miss Betty Parsons went to Traverse City Saturday to see "Gone With The Wind."

Leo Schram returned to Grayling from Detroit during the week end, being among a number who were indefinitely laid off from work by the Ford Motor Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Doyle of Bay City were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Shaw for a few days. Mrs. Shaw accompanied her sister and husband Wednesday on their return to spend a few days in Bay City.

Mrs. Chester Lozon and son Richard of Maple Forest are visiting relatives in McIvor for a couple of weeks. Jerry Lozon is visiting at the home of his grandfather, Henry Jordan, while his mother is away.

Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Stealy spent the first of the week in Battle Creek where the doctor attended a Tri-State Medical meeting. On their return home they visited the former's mother in Charlotte, Mich.

Mrs. William Heric returned home Sunday from Tawas City after a two weeks visit at the home of her parents. She was accompanied by her brother-in-law, Walter Sherman, and two children who were on their way to Muskegon.

Mrs. Menno Corwin and Mrs. Clare Smith drove to West Branch Sunday to accompany home Joan Corwin who had spent the week end there visiting relatives. On their return home they visited Mrs. Corwin's mother in Rose City.

Mr. and Mrs. John McMillan and daughter Marilyn spent the week end at Central Lake and East Jordan. They accompanied home Mrs. McMillan's father, O. P. Barber to his home in Central Lake. The latter had been visiting them for a few days.

**In the Editor's Mail**

Bay City, Mich. April 1, 1940

Mr. O. P. Schumann, Editor

Crawford County Avalanche,

Grayling, Mich.

Dear Mr. Schumann:

I noticed in your paper that Alfred Orhn has been honored by naming a Detroit Ski club after him. I think that is just splendid for he is a very fine character.

It looks to me that this Ski club movement will be a big boost for winter sports. When I was in Montreal in Quebec last winter, I noticed that there were hundreds of these Ski clubs, ranging from deluxe outfits to a group of fellows who rent an inexpensive cottage for the winter and cook their own food.

Yours very truly,

Frank Davis, Ass't. Sec'y.

East Michigan Tourist Ass'n.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

# GRAYLING STATE SAVINGS BANK

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

at the close of business on March 26th, 1940.

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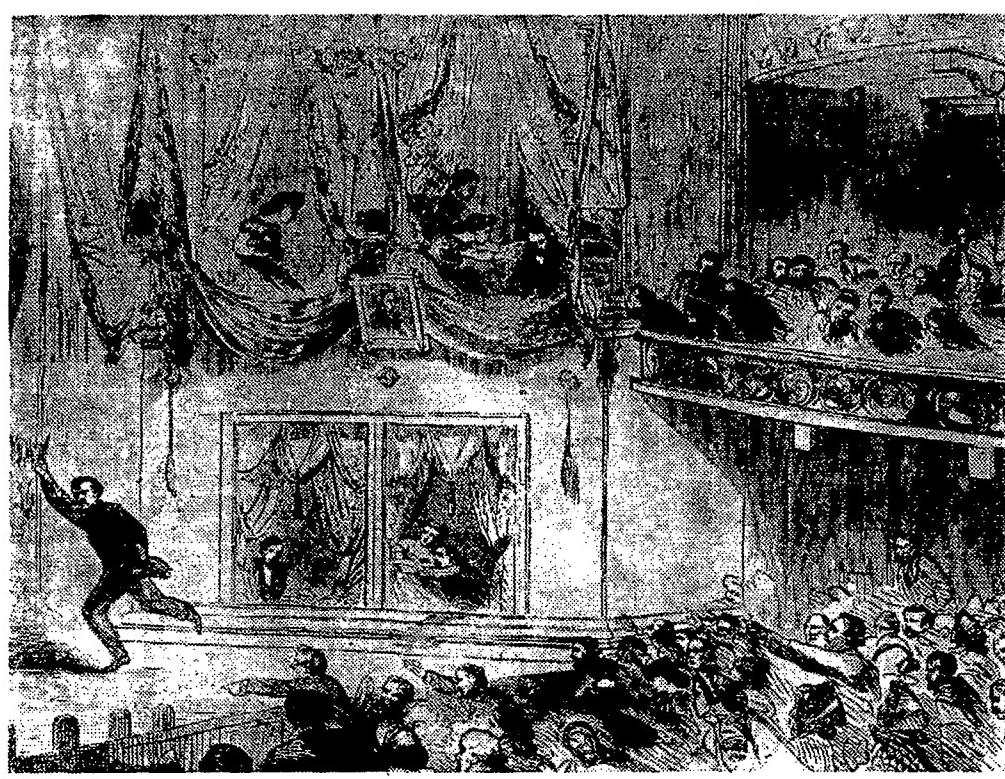
	Dollars	Cts.
Loans and Discounts (including \$67.39 overdrafts)	\$202,448.74	
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	37,500.00	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	234,946.10	
Bank premises owned \$ None, furniture and fixtures \$1.00	1.00	
Other assets Impounded balance in First National Bank of Detroit	1,636.30	
Total Assets	\$476,532.14	

**LIABILITIES**

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$166,308.13


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# Seventy-Five Years Ago This Month The Whole World Was in Mourning for America's First Martyred President



"STOP THAT MAN!"—John Wilkes Booth flees across the stage of Ford's theater in Washington after firing the shot which ended the life of Abraham Lincoln. (From a drawing which appeared in Harper's Weekly, April 29, 1865).

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

IT IS the evening of April 14, 1865—Good Friday.

On the stage of Ford's theater in Washington the famous actress, Laura Keene, is playing in a delightful comedy, "Our American Cousin." Joining in the laughter that sweeps through the audience from time to time is a gaunt, sad-faced man sitting at ease in a high-backed, satin-upholstered rocking chair in an upper stage box. Abraham Lincoln is forgetting for a few minutes the crushing responsibilities which he, as Chief Executive of a nation torn asunder in civil war, has been bearing for four long years.

The third act of the play begins. The President leans over to whisper something to Mrs. Lincoln who sits beside him. Neither the Lincolns nor Maj. Harry R. Rathbone and a Miss Harris, who accompanied them to the theater, notice that a dark-moustached young man has slipped through the door at the rear of the box and is now standing behind the President.

The next moment there is the muffled sound of a shot. It is unnoticed by the players on the stage or the audience, still chuckling over the last funny line they have heard. But the President's head drops forward on his breast.

Startled, Major Rathbone looks around. Through the smoke he sees the dark young man with a pistol in his hand and hears him mutter something which sounds like "Freedom!" The major leaps to his feet and grapples with the intruder, who slashes at him with a knife, tears loose from the officer's grasp and springs to the front of the box.

As he vaults over the railing, his spur catches in an American flag which drapes the front of the box. He drops heavily to the stage with one leg doubled under him, then scrambles to his feet. With blood streaming from his wounded arms, Rathbone rushes to the front of the box.

"Stop that man! Stop him!" he shouts. "The President has been shot!"

But everyone is too stunned to move for a moment. The young man, waving aloft the bloody knife, drags himself across the stage and disappears in the wings. But before he does so, the startled actors recognize in the white face and the black eyes blazing with fanatical hatred the familiar features of one of their own profession—John Wilkes Booth.

All this has taken place in less time than it takes to tell it. The next moment Ford's theater is a pandemonium of screaming women and shouting men, shoving, pushing, breaking chairs, crashing through railings and trampling upon each other as they surge toward the stage or try to climb up to the box where the moaning Mrs. Lincoln is supporting her stricken husband and Major Rathbone is trying vainly to open the door which the assassin had barred from the inside.

Now the soldiers of the President's guard come bursting into the theater and with fixed bayonets and drawn pistols they charge



IN SPRINGFIELD—Outside the old Globe tavern, where Abraham Lincoln and Mary Todd spent their honeymoon, members of the martyred President's cabinet and other dignitaries awaited the arrival of the funeral train in Lincoln's home town.

the milling crowd. Their hoarse shouting of "Clear out! Clear out, you sons of hell!" rise above the tumult as they drive the half-crazed audience out of the theater.

Meanwhile Rathbone has succeeded in unbarring the door to the box and several people, among them a surgeon, rush in. They see the tall form of the President slumped forward in his chair, his sad eyes closed, never to open again. Someone brings a shutter, torn from a building nearby, and they lay his gaunt form upon it. They carry him out of the theater to the house of Charles Peterson across the street.

Ford's theater is empty, deserted now. Its curtain has been rung down upon the comedy, "Our American Cousin"—and upon one of the greatest tragedies in American history.

**Death at 7:22 A. M.**

The next morning Washington newspapers carried this story:

"The body of President Lincoln, who died from an assassin's bullet at 7:22 o'clock this morning, was removed from the Peterson residence opposite Ford's theater to the executive mansion in a bier and wrapped in the American flag. It was escorted by a small squad of cavalry and Gen. Augur and other military officials on foot. A dense crowd accompanied the remains to the White House, where a military guard excluded the people, allowing none but persons of the household and personal friends of the deceased to enter. Gen. Grant arrived here at 2 o'clock in a special train from Philadelphia. His presence tends somewhat to allay the excitement."

Leaf through the pages of James G. Blaine's "Twenty Years in Congress," published in 1886, and read there this description of the events which followed:

"The remains of the late President lay in state at the executive mansion for four days. The entire city seemed as a house of mourning. The martial music which had been resounding in glad celebration of the national triumph had ceased; public edifice and private mansion were alike draped with the insignia of grief.

"Funeral services, conducted by the leading clergymen of the city, were held in the east room on Wednesday, the 19th of April. Amid the solemn tolling of church bells, and the still more solemn thundering of minute guns from the vast line of fortifications which had protected Washington, the body, escorted by an impos-

## The Job Of Building Winter Sports Park

(Presented before the Michigan Academy of Science, Landscape Section on March 13, 1940, at Ann Arbor, Michigan by J. Bernhard Schwerdt).

(Continued from last week) —  
**The Bob-Sled Run**

We are at this time endeavoring to design a run for regulation bob-sleds which will be possible for the average individual to drive after properly qualifying. Regular experienced drivers would also be available to take passengers however. The proposed run is one-half mile long, contains one horseshoe turn and five less severe curves. The horseshoe turn is being planned for a speed of 35 miles per hour with the other curves having gradually increased speeds to a maximum of fifty to fifty-five miles per hour at the out-run. Banks on the turns will be carried to a height sufficient to make it impossible for any sled to over-run.

**The Skating Ponds**

Two ponds are included in the plan, one as an exhibition and hockey rink 200 x 400 feet and the other a skating lagoon of three acres in extent. The exhibition rink has been completed and was used this past winter. It is sufficiently large to lay out on it a one-sixth mile track for regulation competitive skating. The lagoon is for general skating. Its present status is roughly seventy-five percent completed.

These ponds are excavated to a depth of three and a half feet and the water level is maintained by numerous bottom springs. This depth of water is desired for their summer landscape and scenic value as the Winter Sports Park will be viewed by thousands of summer people in connection with its location in the Military Reservation. Landscape values in the entire project will receive due consideration both as to summer and winter aspects.

**The Ski-Jumps**

While plans are not drawn for these jumps their locations are established. One forty-five meter and one junior jump are proposed. The 45-meter jump will enable average good jumpers to attain a 200 foot distance which is sufficiently long jump to attract a fair gallery and good jumpers. It is not the purpose of Grayling to create the biggest, fastest, or longest of anything, but rather to attain an interesting class of activities that can be used by the greatest number of people.

**Ski-Trails and Ski-Slopes**

The public trend is apparently towards increased skiing. The percentage of skiers was three times greater at Grayling the past winter than in the preceding year. Our ski-trail plans have just been completed and they include some forty miles of trails with fine open skiing slopes spaced along the route where the topography warrants. Skiing slopes scattered about the area provide objectives for the various ski-trails and at the same time encourage skiers to work back on these trails thereby eliminating congestion on the close-in slopes. Because of the character of the growth on Northern Michigan cut-over lands clear, open spaces are not common. This holds true for the Grayling project where it will be necessary to brush and stump the majority of trails and slopes.

Reconnaissance, skating, and surveying of these ski-trails has now been in progress for over a year. The most desirable slopes and trails courses were first located and then connected together to form a pattern of both short and long loops all of which begin at the park proper and return to the same point. Trails have been planned requiring varying degrees of skill and endurance. A junior-run is provided as well as the regulation short and long cross-country runs of eighteen and fifty kilometers respectively.

From a construction standpoint the trails are to be cleared twelve to fifteen feet wide with the radius of the turns and distance between turns depending on the degree of slopes. The turns are located closer together on steep slopes to force skiers to lower and less dangerous speeds. All turns on slopes over 10 degrees are being provided with an additional cleared over-run space where falls may be taken in comparative safety. Our steepest slopes reach about 32 degrees. The topography is unusually rough for this part of Michigan, elevations ranging from 1140 to 1560 feet above sea level with several hills having a direct fall of over 200 feet. These long steep hillsides will make splendid downhill sliding and salam slopes when clearing is accomplished. The trails will traverse an area of ten square miles.

**Parking Areas**

The revised master plan is allowing for parking space for 1500 cars. Greater space is required in the north for car parking than would be necessary further south where the snowfall is of less consideration. It is more practical and economical to allow for snow storage rather than attempting to truck it away. Painted posts will be erected at the ends of the parking lanes as guides for the snow plows. The parking lanes will be so spaced as to allow for snow storage between and the plows will throw the snow into these spaces.

**Water System**

The park water system is based on a deep well of 500 gallons per minute capacity. This quantity of water is necessary for icing operations particularly after a thaw when all activities must be reconditioned for use immediately. There will be thirty hose outlets in the park and as previously mentioned a large fog nozzle will throw 30 gallons of water a minute.

**Water mains** are now partially



## North Bound Buses

Daily

4:18 a. m.

1:46 p. m.

## South Bound Buses

Daily

12:50 p. m.

9:43 p. m.

Ticket Office

## Shoppengangs Inn

Phone 3561

## BLUE GOOSE LINES

installed and in operation on the toboggan slides. One 5-inch main leads from the pumphouse to serve the toboggan slides, toboggan house and bob-sled run and another 5 inch main carries water from the pumphouse to the skating ponds and administration building. The method of water storage is undecided at this writing. An overhead tank on the hill versus an underground pressure tank at the pumphouse is being discussed.

Undoubtedly the enthusiasm for the increasing popularity of winter sports is a splendid outlet for the cooped-up energy of our metropolitan citizens. It is a healthful, clean and rollicking form of recreation which does much to highlight our winter season. It is no longer necessary to go to Sun Valley, Montreal, or other expensively distant points to enjoy winter recreation. Now most cities, counties, and states are providing facilities for such sports as their particular winter conditions make possible. In addition snow trains and automobiles can transport enthusiasts to such northern points as Grayling and return the same day. The Grayling Winter Sports had four snow trains one Sunday and other northern winter sports areas in Michigan were also drawing good attendance. Several private developments are enlarging the scope of their winter activities for next year.

This great influx of visitors to northern Michigan during the winter months is also of tremendous economic importance, giving new life and prosperity to many communities and benefiting business all along the highway routes. The job of building a winter sports park is a highly interesting one and the satisfaction in knowing that the results of the work will provide health, enjoyment, and prosperity to many is indeed most satisfying to all of us concerned.

(Concluded)

## DO YOU DARE TO KEEP A DIARY?

An article disclosing startling facts for those who keep an intimate record of their lives—from legal, scientific and historical viewpoints—will be found in The American Weekly with the April 14 issue of The Detroit Sunday Times. This article reveals that science is studying whether it's wise or foolish to list all our daily experiences. Be sure to get The Detroit Sunday Times.

## Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Thursday, April 12, 1917

Responding quickly to President Wilson's stirring message and to the evident demand of the people of the United States, Congress, on April 6th, formally declared that a state of war exists between this country and Germany, due to the hostile acts of the Imperial government. The Senate was the first to act on the war resolution and adopted it by a vote of 82 to 6. Thirteen hours of heated debate preceded the vote. Party lines disappeared in this discussion and Republicans joined with Democrats in sounding the call to the nation to support the president unitedly. The House, after a debate lasting about seventeen hours, adopted the joint resolution by a vote of 373 to 50. The first real war news Washington believes will come from somewhere in the Atlantic, where the American grand fleet is under war orders shrouded in mystery.

Max Landsberg and his family of West Branch are moving to this city where the former will open a shoe and gents furnishing goods store in the Petersen building opposite the Russell Hotel. Floyd Jones, a former resident of this city for a couple of years, passed away at Mercy hospital Saturday. Mr. Jones had received a compound fracture of the right leg, the result of some logs falling upon him at Schrader's camp on January 25. He leaves his wife and a daughter Ila, to mourn his passing.

The Methodist people in Grayling have decided to build a new brick church on the old site. Plans are being made to take up all available building space to embody in the plans rooms for social services activities. The committee responsible for the launching of this enterprise is composed of Mrs. T. W. Hanson, Prof. A. E. Ellsworth and the Pastor Aaron Mitchell. This committee was selected by the M. E. Church board at a meeting held some time ago.

## Lovells News (23 Years Ago)

Mr. and Mrs. Lucellen are enjoying a few days visit at the home of their daughter Mrs. R. Caid. Mr. and Mrs. Lucellen are moving to Lewiston, where they have bought a home.

Mr. and Mrs. Caid received the sad news of the death of their little grandson, a little Griswold boy of Bay City.

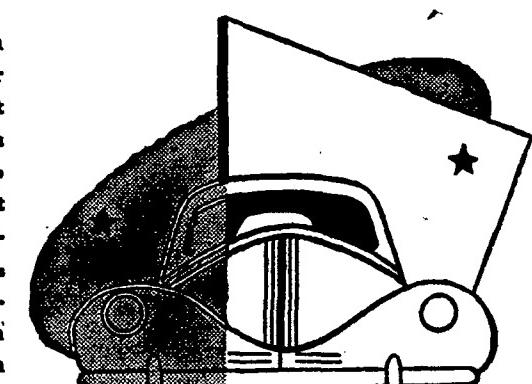
Lovells people were much grieved last week to learn the news of the death of Mrs. Peter Frank, which occurred in Detroit. The body was taken here to Lewiston for burial.

Colonel Donovan offers some startling predictions and convictions concerning military preparedness. Read why he believes that older men should bear the brunt of hardships and dangers of battle. His article appears in This Week, the colorgravure magazine with Sunday's Detroit News.

## SHOULD MEN OF 50 FIGHT OUR WARS?

Colonel William J. (Wild Bill) Donovan, famous World War veteran who won the coveted Congressional Medal, knows war not only from his own service but also from the sidelines during the Italian invasion of Ethiopia and the Spanish Revolution.

As a result of his experiences,



## Better Cars for Less Money Because of Advertising . . . "

"It wasn't very long ago, and many of you can remember, when the cheapest motor car sold for \$1200 or more, the cheapest set of tires for \$80 to \$100. And what a car! What tires! I remember when a trip of fifty miles by motor required a big set of tools, the expectations of several breakdowns, and two or three tire changes . . . But look at the motor cars you can get today—and at the prices! They're so much better that it's just silly to compare them even with cars of ten years ago. And look how the prices have come down—almost cut in half for cars that are sweet dreams compared with the nightmares the early ones were! . . . Advertising, more than anything else, has made these new cars—and their low prices—possible. Mass production without advertising would never have put twenty-nine million cars into the hands of the American people. Who wants to buy a car he doesn't know anything about? And how could I—or any dealer—get around to tell everybody about the cars I sell? Advertising has done that job. It has been largely responsible for selling these millions of better cars at lower prices

—for selling better gasoline, tires, services and parts for less money—and, indirectly, for the greatest system of roads and more traveling by more people than the world ever knew—or thought possible—before."

Says Dealer\*

\* ALFRED HANSON  
Chevrolet Dealer

## ADVERTISING HAS REDUCED MOTOR CAR PRICES



Non-partisan News Letter  
Michigan Press Association

By GENE ALLEMAN

Lansing—Is anything wrong with the Michigan party system?

James Thomson, chairman of the Republican State Central Committee has concluded that while the system is good, it could be improved. In fact, he proposes specific suggestions for changes in the state laws governing the selection of committee delegates and nominees. These changes he believes would obviate the need of large campaign contributions or assessment of political employees.

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#### Convention Reforms?

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(Mr. Thomson said he had heard of these suggestions which are aimed at eliminating "boss control" of county and state conventions, but he made no personal comments as to whether the reforms would be desirable or undesirable).

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party will receive the moral as well as financial support. Large campaign contributions sometimes prove embarrassing after the campaign has been won. The most notable example in recent years was the substantial contribution by John L. Lewis of the C. I. O. to the Democratic National Committee which precipitated introduction of the Hatch bill and the new amendment now pending before Congress.

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## Drivers' License Exams Simplified

New Forms Shorten Time, Make "Cribbing" Difficult, State Police Say

East Lansing, Mich., April 11.—Modified examination forms were being handed applicants for drivers' licenses throughout the state this week.

New examination sheets together with a revised chart of traffic signals had been distributed by the safety and traffic division of the Michigan State Police with instructions to all stations to place them into immediate use.

"Cribbing" is made difficult through use of the new blanks. Since examinations have been required, one blank has been handed out for written examination answers. A glimpse at the applicant's paper at the adjoining table might have occasionally helped in the past but hereafter his blank will be different from his neighbor's. In fact, the new set consists of six different sets.

Instead of seeking to trip the applicant and make his appearance before examiners more involved, Capt. C. J. Scavarda of the state police says the new blanks are simplified and will speed up the required tests.

The examinations are designed to require only sufficient knowledge of traffic laws and regulations to assure us that the applicant will make a reasonably safe driver," Captain Scavarda said. "Our new form discloses the information we want through use of simple questions. The new test charts places needed emphasis on matters of safety which experience has shown too hazy in the minds of most applicants."

The new chart for the first time touches the matter of traffic regulations as they concern the blind pedestrian with a white cane. In other respects, the chart touches on pedestrian safety.

Familiarity with the pamphlet "What Every Driver Must Know" distributed by the secretary of state with each notice of expiration of driving license, remains the requirement of satisfactorily passing the examination for license renewal. This booklet highlights Michigan's safety and traffic laws.

"A survey of 1939 statistics on drivers' examinations showed that 53 per cent of those who failed on their appearance for an examination successfully passed after a brief study of "What Every Driver Must Know" on their second appearance before the examiner," Captain Scavarda said.

"Approximately 48,000 persons in Michigan last year qualified as better drivers through operation of the drivers' examination law," Scavarda said. "That number," he said, "failed on their first examination but received licenses on later examinations through correction of vision, greater familiarity with fundamental traffic and safety laws or through acquiring mechanical aids to compensate physical handicaps that prevented them originally qualifying as safe drivers."

At present time the chairman of the Republican state central committee is serving as president of the county committee of officers association consisting of all county officers who were elected on the Republican ticket.

In addition to this a more recent organization has been the Republican county committee of officers association which comprises the chairman, vice-chairmen, and vice-chairwomen, secretaries and treasurers of Republican county committees.

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These additional organizations have resulted, Thomson reported, in correlation of organization activity "the effectiveness of which has been shown in results of recent elections."

#### No Dictatorship?

"It is my opinion," concluded the Republican state chairman, "that among people of Michigan and other states of the Middle-West there is a desire for return of some sort of party responsibility."

"I feel that this is particularly true among us who expect to vote the Republican ticket in 1940. Our government is based on existence of political parties. It has been successfully tested by balances obtained through the branches of government."

"Individualists are bound to become provincial in their administration of public affairs.

"Individuality in executive capacity leads to dictatorship and we wish nothing of this sort in our United States of America."

## Election Notice

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO VOTE ON FRANCHISE.

Notice is hereby given to the Qualified Electors of Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, that at a Special Election to be held at the Township Hall in said Township, on the 16th Day of April, 1940

said electors will vote on the question of the confirmation of the granting of a franchise to Presque Isle County Electric Cooperative Association, its successors and assigns, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and using electric lines on, along and across the public highways, streets, alleys, bridges, and other public places, and to distribute electricity to its members in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan. The polls will be open from 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon to 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

This notice is given pursuant to law, by order of the Township Board.

Dated: March 18, 1940.  
Dan C. Babitt,  
Township Clerk.

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German Hot Dogs.

Visitors to Germany, especially Americans whose only knowledge of sausage is limited to "hot dogs," report that part of the gastronomic delight of travel there is tasting other varieties, such as the "Halberstaedter" in central Germany, the "Weisswuerstchen" of Bavaria, and the "Bratwuerste" in Thuringia.

## Should Be Good Trout Fishing

Trout fishermen pointing for the season opening April 27 can plan on catching some of the 6,700,000 trout liberated in Michigan trout lakes and trout streams in 1939. More than 400,000 of them were keepers of legal size to keep if caught when they were planted.

Plantings last year which bolster this season's natural trout supply were made up of more than 3,110,000 brook trout, 2,390,000 brown trout, and 1,200,000 rainbow trout. The total weight of these plantings exceeded 80 tons—more than half, by weight, of all kinds of fish planted in all waters in 1939.

Wheat Valued

Wheat was once so highly valued in France that the wheat stalks became part of the costume of the Empress Josephine.

### TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN OR LIENS UPON THE LANDS HEREIN DESCRIBED.

Take Notice, that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof, at any time within six months after return of service, of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the Register in Chancery of the County in which the lands lie of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with fifty per cent additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, which fee shall be the same as provided by law for service of subpoenas or for orders of publication or the cost of such service by registered mail and the further sum of five dollars for each description, without other additional cost or charges: Provided, That with respect to purchasers at the tax sale held in the years 1938, 1939 and 1940 the sum stated in such notice as a condition of reconveyance shall only be all sums paid as a condition of the tax title purchase, together with ten per cent additional thereto.

If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of Land

State of Michigan,  
County of Crawford.

Lots 1-2-3-21-23-24, Block 2,

Third Addition to Portage Lake Park.

Amount paid \$2.38, tax for year 1932.

Amount necessary to redeem,

\$2.61 plus the fees of the sheriff.

Charles E. Moore,  
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Description of Land

State of Michigan,  
County of Crawford.

Lots 13-38, Block 4, Third Addition to Portage Lake Park.

Amount paid \$5.77, tax for years 1932, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940.

Amount necessary to redeem,

\$6.34 plus the fees of the sheriff.

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## Electric Appliances and Service

See the New 1940  
**Hotpoint Electric  
Refrigerators**  
Six Cubic foot Size, only \$112.75

Open Evenings Phone 3736

## Sweeney Electric

Second building north of Olson Shoe Store.

## LOCALS

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1940

Sam Horning was in Saginaw Sunday visiting his wife, who is there owing to the illness of her father.

The Women of the Moose will hold their regular meeting at the Moose temple next Monday night, April 15.

Home Extension Group IV will meet at the home of Mrs. Menna Corwin, Thursday, April 18, at 1:30 o'clock.

Spring is here! We have a fine line of garden and lawn tools. Don't buy before seeing our line and prices. Gamble Store tools mean quality and economy.

Rummage sale given by the Ladies Aid Society of the Michelson Memorial church, Friday and Saturday, April 26 and 27, in the church basement. 4-11-3

Capt. H. W. Swartz, dentist, will be in service with local CCC camps. He recently arrived here from Crystal Falls. In his family are his wife and young son. They are looking for a furnished house.

"Folks," a General Motors Magazine, in its April issue published several pictures on Grayling Winter sports. There were nine pictures and gave the readers of "Folks" a clear-cut idea of Grayling winter sports park and of the activities that are enjoyed there. "Folks" magazine has a monthly circulation of 350,000.

Postmaster James McDonnell, who is a member of the Michigan Chapter of the National Association of Postmasters, is in attendance at a meeting of the executive board in Lansing today. The Association has a 100% membership of 1061 postmasters in Michigan. They hold their annual convention in Grand Rapids on May 9-10-11.

August Saidat of Chicago has purchased the Raymond Papendick 40 acre farm in Beaver Creek township. This is an excellent farm and we hope Mr. Saidat and his family will enjoy it here. They will be here in time for spring planting. Mr. Saidat said they have two sons and two daughters in their family and one of the daughters will reside with them. Welcome to Crawford county.

Superintendent Lee and Mr. Stevens of Frederic schools brot 16 alert and interested pupils to Grayling Tuesday afternoon to attend the afternoon session of Circuit court. They had hoped to hear a trial in progress, but in this they were disappointed, as no cases were tried. Judge Chas. E. Moore, however, promised that some afternoon he and Prosecuting Attorney Merle F. Neill would come to Frederic and put on a mock trial and also receive trials on court procedure.

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. VanVleck, and daughter Sue, have arrived at Lake Margrethe from Bellfontaine, Ohio. They intend to build permanent home on the lake this season, and to add more cottages and other improvements to their camp known as Camp Margrethe. Visiting Dr. and Mrs. VanVleck this week, during the spring vacation of the University of Michigan are their daughter, Doris, and Bob Westfall, the latter who is fullback on the University of Michigan football team.

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Rudolph Sorenson is confined to his bed because of illness.

See the bargains: 100 pairs shoes, 3 to 6 dollar values for \$1.94, at Olsons.

Are you helping to carry the ball, or are you just playing the bench? Grayling Chamber of Commerce needs every loyal citizen somewhere in its organization.

To remind Mrs. Carl Nielsen that she was a year older Monday a few friends dropped in and left her some nice remembrances. Lunch was served by Mrs. Nielsen.

Saturday, March 30, was Jack Smith's fourth birthday anniversary, and his mother invited in a few of his little friends to spend the afternoon. Games were played and Jack's mother, Mrs. Roy Smith, served lunch.

Otto Failing was at the Cusino Game Refuge near Seney in the Upper Peninsula last week in attendance at an experimental meeting of game refuge area managers. Mr. Failing is manager of the local game refuge area.

Mrs. A. E. Hendrickson was hostess to the Swedish Baptist Ladies Aid society at her home Thursday. The afternoon was spent in Bible reading, prayers and singing hymns. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

The Ladies National League will hold their monthly social at the home of Mrs. Middie LaMotte, Wednesday, April 17, instead of at the Grange Hall.

Jimmy Stevenson should announce that, in Grayling, Dodge cars are sold by Parsons & Lamm. These young men have one on the floor and invite you to drop in and see it.

Frederic school has started a band and hopes eventually to have an organization of 35 pieces. They are under direction and instruction of Mr. Stevens of the school faculty.

Mrs. John Erkes, Mrs. George Schable and Beverly Schable were hostesses at a lovely shower in honor of Mrs. Ernest Larson at the Masonic temple Monday evening. Bunco was the order of entertainment for the evening with honor scores being held by Peggy Hamlin and Mrs. Clare Smith. The hostesses served refreshments and Mrs. Larson was presented with a lovely gift from the group.

How absurd, to expect the United States to keep out of war while at the same time the President and Congress approves turning our airplane factories into making planes by the hundreds to help the Allies beat the Huns and the Russians, giving to the Allies our latest airplane inventions and advancement and denying ourselves the opportunity to strengthen our own air forces.

Mrs. Fred Lamm entertained a few little tots and their mothers Monday afternoon, the event being in celebration of the birthday anniversary of her son Tommy. Tommy's guests were seated at one table and the grown-ups at another when lunch was served. All had a happy time helping Tommy observe his third birthday.

Mrs. William Gildner was happily surprised Monday evening, while calling at the home of Mrs. Kate Loskos. Mrs. Loskos knowing it was her birthday anniversary had invited eight ladies to spend the evening in her honor.

Mrs. Mose Woods held the high score for pedro and Mrs. Ted Morris for pinochle. Lunch was served on one long table pretty with a center piece of spring flowers.

For the pleasure of Mrs. Elsie Rasmussen, Mrs. Joe McLeod entertained the Lutheran choir and Sewing club at her home Tuesday evening. Various games and contests were enjoyed with honors falling to Misses Elma Mae Sorenson and Ingeborg Hanson, after which a delicious lunch was served by the hostess.

The guest of honor, who is leaving for Detroit to remain indefinitely, was presented with a lovely gift in remembrance of the occasion.

Mrs. Sam Horning and little daughter are in Saginaw having been called there Tuesday of last week owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Horning's father, Orel Turner. Mr. Turner, who was a former resident of Grayling, is in a hospital there and it is expected will have to have his right leg that has been troubling him for years, amputated. His daughter Mrs. Arthur Denewett was also in Saginaw, together with her husband, but they have returned.

Seven girls met one evening and decided to organize a club which they named "The Pine Club," planning to meet every other Wednesday evening. The girls in the club are Misses Helen Cody, Ruth Feldhauser, Elaine Broadbent, Mrs. Wm. Wythe, Mrs. Joseph Lennert, Mrs. Sam Gust, and Mrs. Stephan Jorgenson. They met with Helen Cody at her home last Wednesday evening and enjoyed playing bridge bingo, with honor scores being held by Helen Cody and Mrs. Joseph Lennert. Mrs. Sam Gust will be hostess at the next meeting.

There was consternation in the State Liquor store here Monday morning, when those in charge of the store found a number of bottles of Scotch and other liquors missing. The "Thief" was reported to the State Liquor Commission at Lansing, by telephone, the store closed as per instructions and Sheriff Papendick was called. However before the arrival of an auditor who had been despatched from Ludington, accounts were checked and a hotel sale that had been made just before closing time Saturday night had been forgotten. It had been recorded however, but the liquor gone from the shelves was very noticeable when they opened up for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger D. Hanson and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sorenson arrived home Monday night from their winter vacation spent in Texas. They were gone for close to three months and all are looking fine and are brown as berries. For several weeks they were located at Houston, where the Sorensens visited Mrs. Sorenson's sister Mrs. A. R. Engler and husband, and the last month they were at The Valley in Harlingen. Both "Dad" and Carl look fine, the former became a golf fan while there which his tan shows, and Carl gained eight pounds in weight. Returning they were on the road two weeks, stopping in Detroit, the Hansons to visit relatives there, while the Sorensens went to Lansing and visited their daughter Mrs. Fred Jones and family.

Waders—All sizes, 6 to 12, at \$13.95, at Olsons.

Watch for the "Pet" show to be put on soon.

## STATE DEPARTMENT'S SAFETY SAMPLE

Selling safety programs is a tough job because the salesman usually doesn't have any samples to display. Harry F. Kelly, Secretary of State, believes he has a real sample to use in his safety campaign. He found it right in his own office, in the record of the "Pony Express," a motor transport agency operated by the department.

Two "Pony Express" drivers, William Kirkbride, 60 years old, of Lansing, and Walter Ruedale, 41 years old, also of Lansing, have each driven approximately 200,000 miles over a three year period, or a little less than 55,000 miles a year. During this time, neither driver has been involved in an accident.

This record was compiled under every kind of weather condition typical of Michigan. The drivers did not pick days when driving conditions were favorable to building up this record. On only one day in the three years was a trip cancelled, and that was during a snow storm this spring which reduced visibility to zero. A fixed daily schedule is followed. Each driver must cover a route of more than 200 miles between 8:15 a.m. and 3:45 p.m.

There is just one fundamental rule for safe driving, according to Mr. Kirkbride and Mr. Ruedale, and that is to pay strict attention to your driving and the road ahead. It is only when you allow your mind or your eyes to wander that you get into accidents.

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Dance, given by the Ladies National League to be held at the Grange Hall Saturday, April 13. Price 25c per person.

Dr. J. F. Cook will not be in his office Monday and Tuesday of next week as he will be attending a dental meeting in Detroit.

One hundred hand bags, all colors and sizes for \$1.00, at Olsons.

Miss Gail Welsh returned home one day last week from a month's tour of the Western states. The circuitour began at Chicago and going out by way of Salt Lake City to Los Angeles, Calif., where Miss Welsh spent two weeks visiting her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Sterling. Then coming home by way of the coast through San Francisco, Calif.; Portland, Oregon; Spokane, Wash., and Montana. She also took a side trip to Victoria, British Columbia on the return trip.

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provide rapid transportation for automobile titles and office supplies between the Lansing office and the branch offices of the State department. The service was so planned that documents or supplies could be delivered to the branch and returned to the Lansing office within a 24 hour period.

## Truck Load Restrictions In Force

Load limit restrictions today were in force on all state trunk-line highways in Michigan.

State Highway Commissioner Murray D. VanWagoner ordered load limit enforcements to protect roads from being pounded by overweighted trucks during a period of spring thaws. Limits

will remain in force until roads have drained and hardened for normal travel.

The late break-up caused severe cutting of some sections of gravel road in the state. A barricade of M-41, from Deerton to US-41, in Marquette county, was ordered to protect the surface of that road, now under construction, from heavy trucking operations.

Highway department patrol crews, equipped with "Loadometers," were enforcing the weight restrictions. Trucking company operators joined with the department in policing all loads to assure conformance.

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## My Neighbor Says:

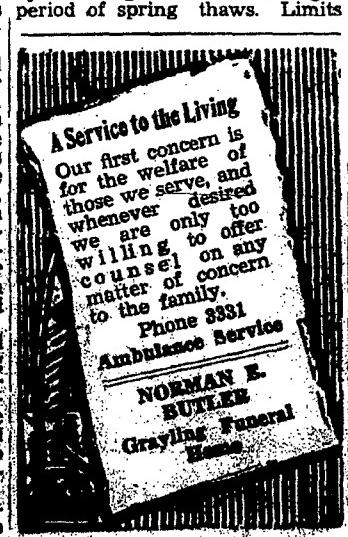
Salt will put out fire in a chimney or gas stove oven.

A small pinch of soda added to salad dressing will prevent it from curdling.

Send soiled neckties to the laundry to be cleaned. It costs very little and they look like new.

Snapdragons give a greater profusion of bloom if the seed is sown early and the young plants are pinched back once or twice.

If you are looking for something rather interesting, try some of the new double pyramids. Lady Dawn is old rose, Lady Garnet is a red and Lady Sylvia is a creamy white. (Associated Newspapers—PAW Service.)



**ANOTHER  
\$100 CASH!**

**Top \$100 prizes to be awarded in the FORD DEALERS**

**NICKNAME**  
Used Car Contest closing April 18th

**SEE ANY FORD DEALER IN THIS TERRITORY**

**THE MAP shows the entire State of Michigan and the following counties of Ohio: Allen, Auglaize, Defiance, Fulton, Huron, Henry, Seneca, Wood, Mercer, Ottawa, Putnam, Portage, Sandusky, Shelby, Union, Van Wert, Wood, Williams, Wyandot.**

**BUY YOUR USED CAR FROM ANY FORD, MERCURY, OR LINCOLN-ZEPHYR DEALER IN THE TERRITORY SHOWN ON THE MAP BY MIDNIGHT, APRIL 18, AND YOU'RE IN THE RUNNING FOR A \$100 CASH PRIZE!**

**\$100 apiece to 10 more Used Car Buyers!** Last week ten people each won \$100 checks for nicknaming the used cars they bought from Ford dealers! And ten more people will get a cool hundred apiece if they act before midnight, April 18!

**Buy a used car from any Ford dealer** in the territory shown on the map, write a nickname for your car on the Entry Card the dealer gives you, and you're in the Contest!

**Read the 3 Simple Rules—then ACT!** Look over your Ford dealer's stock of used cars today! Prices slashed! You'll see bargains galore! You'll find just the car you want at the price you want to pay. And your down payment gets you a post-paid Entry Card! See your Ford dealer!

**ACT TODAY**

George Burke

Grayling

**LARGE CROWD AT C. OF C. MEETING**

(Continued from first page)

E.M.T.A. was read and advertising in the "Annual" was discussed and a motion by MacNeven and supported by Penrod that a check for \$80.00 be sent to the E.M.T.A. for advertising, but that the cuts be changed for this year.

Members Arnold Burrows and "Tony" Greene asked if something could be done to stop peddlers from coming into the city and selling meats, and so on. These peddlers do not have a license, do not pay taxes in the city or support the town in any way. City Attorney Moore stated that the City ordinance had been drawn up with that in mind but the State Law states that anyone peddling meat or fish do not have to have a license. He also stated that the people of the city are the only ones who can help this situation—by refusing to buy from anyone who comes to your door peddling anything. If it is meat, you do not know how clean it is, or whether it comes up to the standard set by the Health Department. If they sell magazines, you can get the same magazines from your local dealers, who are taxpayers and live here, and they can give them to you at the same rate as the peddlers.

H. MacNeven made a motion and was supported by Stanley that a committee be appointed to educate the people of Grayling to not buy from peddlers who come to your doors.

Having been appointed by MacNeven and Tebbets, Dr. Keyport gave a report on the Taft Highway convention at Lakeland, Florida. He also stated that we should wait until Holder comes up this summer and contact him before we promise them any

money so as to get the summer convention here. E. Giegling also said that "It begins to look kind of funny. A lot of money has gone into this thing and nothing has come out as yet." Max Laage also commented on it.

H. MacNeven spoke on a "Birdie Tebbets baseball special" to Detroit this summer, sometime in June, to take the School band, \$100.00 to be contributed by the City Council, \$100.00 by the Chamber of Commerce and \$100 by the Winter Sports. This would be a big advertising stunt for Grayling. Motion by Stanley and Supported by Penrod that finances be looked into and report made to decide if this can be done. A motion was passed that MacNeven be made Chairman of a committee to work on this matter.

Mayor Burke spoke on having a Home Coming to celebrate the dedication of the new Municipal Light Plant, the weekend of the 4th of July, with a four-day celebration. A motion by MacNeven and supported by Penrod that the Chamber of Commerce sponsor it was passed.

Mr. Harry Carter talked to having a committee formed to look into the taxes of the county and city to work with other committees in other counties.

Sales tax director Walter F. Reddy, commenting on the regulations, expressed his appreciation for the splendid help given by coin machine operators and associations in the formulation of the new rules. "There are however," he said, "still some machines operating in Michigan not properly identified and we have instructed our entire field force to be on the lookout for such violations."

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Nelson made a motion that the County be contacted and asked if they would paint names on the bridges that are marked on the map that the C. of C. are getting

out. The motion carried. Nelson was made chairman of the committee.

A motion was made by Nelson and supported by Penrod that the secretary contact the other counties that the AuSable River flows through and ask them if they will paint their bridges with the name of the bridge.

Motion was made and supported that the following checks be paid by the treasurer: George Burke for expenses to Lansing to get CCC Camp for Boy Scouts. Took Charles Moore and John Bruun with him—\$10.00; George Stanley for gas to Standish—\$1.50.

No further business the meeting adjourned at 10:05. H. Russell, Sec.

**MUST PAY TAX ON COIN MACHINES**

In compliance with the new sales tax rules and regulations, all persons operating merchandise-vending machines must identify each machine with the owner's name, address and sales tax license number. Adequate records of the location and gross receipts of each machine are also required.

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**DR. NEWTON COMING**

Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist of Alpena. Eyes tested and Glasses Fitted. Grayling Dates: April 15 and April 29. Office completely equipped in Dr. Stealy and Dr. Cook's offices. Appointments can be made with Drs. Keyport & Clippert or Dr. S. Stealy.

**CCC Camp News**

**CAMP HIGGINS LAKE**

672nd Co. CCC S-95 (Mich)

Sixty-two new recruits arrived at Camp Higgins Lake on Friday morning to begin life as a CCC enrollee. They are all from Saginaw and vicinity and are enthusiastic to fulfill their obligations to Uncle Sam for the privilege of becoming members of such a splendid organization. Each enrollee receives eight dollars per month and \$22.00 per month is sent to their allottee. The boy also receives board, clothing and lodging, which is the equivalent of \$75.00 per month.

**CCC Anniversary Program**

The Camp Higgins Lake Anniversary program will be held on the first Sunday in May, and the Camp and work projects will be open to the public for inspection. A splendid program is being planned and the Grayling High school band will be on hand to add to the occasion. Refreshments will be served to the visitors and a few short speeches will mark the conclusion of the program.

**Educational Program**

The new schedule of classes will begin on April 15th for the Spring quarter, and will include instruction in woodworking, CCC administration, typing, archery, radio sending, preparation for eighth grade diploma, truck driving, photography, surveying, building construction, blueprint reading, mathematics, first aid, etiquette, bible study, public speaking, job hunting and getting. In addition to the above subjects enrollees may take high school courses by correspondence study through the University of Michigan for only a small fee. These courses are under the supervision of WPA teacher assigned to the camp. Enrollees also attend typing classes at the Grayling High school one evening per week.

The enrollee is not forced to enroll in the Educational program but about 90% of them attend at least one class. The classes are held in the morning before work or in the evening from 6 to 9 o'clock.

**Camp Higgins Lake Personals**

William J. Nolan, Educational adviser, and family of Roscommon spent the month of March visiting at the home of Mrs. Nolan's parents in Coral Gables, Florida. They returned home on March 29th, after a most enjoyable vacation. The weather in Florida during March was ideal.

Dr. and Mrs. Katz are the proud parents of a new baby boy born in Chicago on March 30th. Both mother and baby are doing nicely.

**Tigers Predicted To Make Good Showing**

Lakeland, Fla.:

"We have been working hard down here getting into excellent shape for the start of the 1940 season. We will do everything possible to make it a big year for the Detroit team and for the fans of Detroit and Michigan."

"Before I go any further, please tell the folks of Grayling, Bay City and Northeastern Michigan just how much I enjoyed working and living in that section last winter. I shall treasure the fun, experience and friendships made possible through my work, which I hope to be able to resume next season."

"I know the folks around Bay City and Grayling are anxious to hear about the Tigers. We had a good training season despite the unusually cold weather. A fine, driving spirit prevails within the club. Several of the young pitchers have shown promise and we will be able to use their help in that department."

"At this writing, the club gives every indication of being stronger this year and I believe we will strengthen our position over last season and be in the first division."

"Many of my friends from northern Michigan, visiting Florida, dropped in to pay their respects. I appreciate these kindesses as I do the interest and encouragement given me by the fans of Bay City and Grayling."

Sincerely,  
Birdie Tebbets.

**Kalkaska Trout Festival To Be Host To V.F.W.**

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U. S. 9th District will hold a rally during Kalkaska National Trout Festival, April 26 and 27. The business meeting will be on Sunday, April 28.

Ira Hart is Commander of the 9th District; Judge R. H. Calkins, of Gaylord, is Commander Department of Michigan, and Elmer Hanna, Post Department Commander. These officers will be present for the rally.

On Saturday night, April 27, the Northern Brush Monkeys Pup Tent Military Order of Cooties will hold their monthly meeting jamboree and scratch. This is a roving pup tent, members coming from nine counties.

The V. F. W. banquet will be held at Tourist Inn at 2:30 p.m., April 20. The rally is held under Kalkaska Post No. 3735.

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**HISTORICAL RECORDS SURVEY STARTS SOON**

Intensive research on the historical and legal background of Crawford County will be undertaken during the next two months according to Stuart Portner, State Supervisor of the WPA Michigan Historical Records Survey, who visited Grayling last week.

Mr. Portner remarked that the basic research on the Crawford County unit of the survey has been completed and that work on the background and development of the county will be the next assignment.

The result of the survey of Crawford County will be published in a volume containing the history, governmental organization and records system of the county. All historical research will be based on information to be obtained from extant manuscripts, newspaper files and county archives. The legal research will be derived from study of the state constitutions, state and county legislative enactments and decisions of the courts.

The work of the Crawford County unit of the Michigan Historical Records Survey is sponsored by the County Board of Supervisors.

Lawrence Hunter and Joseph Lehnert are employed on the Survey in Crawford County.

**Notice**

The Board of Review for the City of Grayling will meet next Monday and Tuesday, April 15 and 16, at the City Library, over the Connine Grocery.

Any property owner who has any complaint to make relative to tax assessment, should appear before the Board at that time, stating the complaint. The assessment roll may be examined at the City Office at any time before April 15.

Geo. A. Granger, City Clerk.

**Notice**

Water meters will not be read this month until after April 15, and water bills will not be mailed until May 1. The billing usually made on the 15th of the month will be omitted this month, and the regular billing date changed to the first of the month.

Geo. A. Granger, City Manager.



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